



MJC Presidential Finalists Selected

March 24, 2006

MODESTO, CA – The Modesto Junior College (MJC) Presidential Search Committee has selected four finalists to become the next MJC President.

The finalists are:

- Dr. Allan M. Hoffman, Vice President for Instruction/Assistant Superintendent, Hartnell College, Salinas, California
- Dr. Ronald D. Kraft, President and CEO, Washington State Community & Technical Colleges Alliance for Corporate Education, Bellevue, Washington
- Dr. Richard D. Rose, Vice President, Student Services, San Diego Mesa College, San Diego, California
- Dr. Gary W. Van Kempen, Vice-President of Academic Affairs (currently an executive on loan to the Michigan Department of Education), Lansing Community College, Lansing, Michigan

The search committee was chaired by Dr. Carolyn Buck, Dean of Learning Support Services, Columbia College. The position has been recruited for extensively and advertised nationally. Initial interviews were completed March 24, 2006 and the names of the four finalists have been forwarded to the Yosemite Community College District (YCCD) Chancellor and Board of Trustees.

Open forums for the finalists are scheduled for March 27-29 at each of the two Modesto Junior College campuses. Each finalist will be given an opportunity to discuss their preparation for the position, their education and leadership philosophy, and will respond to questions from the forum attendees. Attendees will be given the opportunity to complete a comment card that will be given to the Yosemite Community College Board of Trustees. The forums will be open to the public.

The schedule and locations for the candidate forums are as follows:

Forum Schedule

Finalist	Date	MJC-East Campus 435 College Avenue Modesto, CA Fireside Lounge	MJC-West Campus 2201 Blue Gum Avenue Modesto, CA Mary Stuart Rogers Student Learning Center
<i>To be determined</i>	Monday, March 27	2:00-3:00 p.m.	4:00-5:00 p.m.
Dr. Ronald D. Kraft	Tuesday, March 28	9:00-10:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.
<i>To be determined</i>	Tuesday, March 28	2:00-3:00 p.m.	4:00-5:00 p.m.
Dr. Richard D. Rose	Wednesday, March 29	9:00-10:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

Finalist Profiles:

Dr. Allan M. Hoffman

Education:

- Ed.D. in Higher and Adult Education – Community College Administration, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, New York (1975)
- M.A. in Philosophy and the Social Sciences – History and Education, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, New York (1976)
- M.A. in Higher Education and Adult Education Administration, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, New York (1973)
- B.S. in Secondary Education, General Business Concentration, University of Hartford, Hartford, Connecticut (1972)
- A.S. in Marketing, Greater Hartford Community College, Hartford, Connecticut (1970)

Professional Experience:

- Vice President for Instruction/Assistant Superintendent, Hartnell College, Salinas, California (2004–present)
- Dean and Professor, Des Moines University, Des Moines, Iowa (1998-2004)
- Associate Professor, Dean and Associate Dean, California State University, Dominguez Hills, Carson, California (1993-1998)
- Associate Dean, Compton Community College, Compton, California (1990-1993)
- Adjunct Professor, University of La Verne, La Verne, California (1987-1999)

Dr. Ronald D. Kraft

Education:

- Ph.D. in Higher Educational Administration and Leadership, Capella University, Minneapolis, Minnesota (2005)
- M.A. in Educational Leadership/Vocational Education, Long Beach State University, Long Beach, California (1980)
- B.S. in Business and Marketing, San Diego State University, San Diego, California (1974)
- A.A. in Liberal Arts, Grossmont Community College, El Cajon, California (1972)

Professional Experience:

- President and CEO, Washington State Community & Technical Colleges Alliance for Corporate Education, Bellevue, Washington (2004 – present)
- Vice President of Advancement and Special Assistant to the President, Lord Fairfax Community College, Middletown, Virginia (2003–2004)
- Managing Partner, The Resource Group, LLC, San Diego, California (2000-2003)
- Senior Vice President for Planning, Lantel Systems Solutions, Inc., San Diego, California (1998-2000)
- Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer, Credit Union Leasing of America, San Diego, California (1996-1998)
- Multiple positions including Director of Community programs, Southwestern Community College, Chula Vista, California (1988-1996)
- Governing Board Member, Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District, El Cajon, California (1992-2004)

Dr. Richard D. Rose

Education:

- Ed.D. in Educational Administration, University of San Francisco, San Francisco, California (1991)
- M.A. in Educational Administration, San Jose State University, San Jose, California (1983)
- M.S. in Educational Psychology, Cal State Hayward, Hayward, California (1977)
- B.A. in Interdisciplinary Social Science, San Francisco State University, San Francisco, California (1975)
- A.A. in Liberal Studies, Fresno City College, Fresno, California (1973)

Professional Experience:

- Vice President, Student Services, San Diego Mesa College, San Diego, California (2002 – present)
- Dean of Counseling & Matriculation, De Anza College, Cupertino, California (1999-2002)
- Dean of Admissions/Records and Enrollment Services, Santa Rosa Junior College, Santa Rosa, California (1981-1999)

Dr. Gary W. Van Kempen

Education:

- Ph.D. in Administration & Higher Education, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan
- Ph.D. in Chemistry, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan
- B.A. in Chemistry, Hope College, Holland, Michigan

Professional Experience:

- Executive on loan to the Michigan Department of Education, from Lansing Community College, Lansing, Michigan (2005 – present)
- Vice President of Academic Affairs, Lansing Community College, Lansing, Michigan (2003-present)
- Director, College Academic Affairs, Lansing Community College, Lansing, Michigan (2001-2003)
- Director of Human Resources, Lansing Community College, Lansing, Michigan (1995-2001)
- Chemistry Professor, Lansing Community College, Lansing, Michigan (1976-1995)

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